



CONGRESSWOMAN MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO
DELEGATE FROM GUAM

A lifetime public servant, in 2003 Congresswoman Madeleine Z. Bordallo became the first woman to represent Guam in the U.S. House of Representatives. Ms. Bordallo brings to Congress over forty years of public service experience in the executive and legislative branches of the Government of Guam and numerous non-governmental organizations. The 110th Congress is Ms. Bordallo's third term.

Congresswoman Bordallo is a member of the House Committee on Natural Resources, and serves as the Chairwoman of Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans. She also has a seat on the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, which has jurisdiction over issues affecting the insular areas. Congresswoman Bordallo is a member of the House Committee on Armed Services, and is a member of the Subcommittee on Readiness and the Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces.

In addition to her committee responsibilities, Congresswoman Bordallo serves as Secretary of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus (CAPAC), and also serves as the Chair of the Healthcare Task Force for CAPAC. She is the Co-Chair of the China Caucus and the Co-Chair of the Congressional Arts Competition for 2007, "An Artistic Discovery." She is a member of the U.S.-Philippines Friendship Caucus, the Korean Caucus, the Army Caucus, and the Navy/Marine Corps Caucus, the Travel and Tourism Caucus, and the Women's Caucus.

During the 110th Congress, Congresswoman Bordallo will continue the work she began in the 108th and 109th Congresses. She is working to ensure that the relocation of U.S. Marines and their families from Okinawa to Guam and the military build-up on Guam is accomplished in a way that is beneficial to the people of Guam. In the 109th Congress, Ms. Bordallo secured the passage of legislation that designates all of Guam as a Historically Underutilized Business Zone, "HUBzone". This new designation will help to ensure that Guam small businesses have competitive access to the federal marketplace.

Ms. Bordallo's legislative efforts have benefited from the close relationships she has established and fostered with other Members from the U.S. territories, the Hawaiian delegation, and House leadership on both sides of the aisle. She has also worked in a bipartisan approach with other government officials from Guam to address federal issues that are important to the island.

Congresswoman Bordallo began her public career with local radio and television broadcaster KUAM in 1954. Her involvement in the community has also been extensive, with Bordallo founding the Guam Council of Women's Clubs, the Guam Symphony Society, Y Inetnon Famalaoan (Women for Service), and the Marianas Association for Persons with Disabilities.

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She was also a past President of the Federation of Asia Pacific Women's Associations and has been in dozens of leadership roles in other community organizations throughout her life.

Ms. Bordallo was introduced to public service through her husband Ricky, who served as Governor of Guam from 1975-1978 and 1983-1986. As First Lady of Guam, Madeleine was a strong advocate of promoting the indigenous Chamorro culture and the arts, both of which are lifelong passions. In between her husband's two terms as Governor, Madeleine Bordallo became the first woman from the Democratic Party to serve as a Guam Senator. She was a member of the 16th, 19th, 20th, 21st, and 22nd Guam Legislatures. Following the death of her husband, she ran for Governor in 1990, and in securing her party's nomination, she became the first woman on Guam to head a gubernatorial ticket. Although she was not successful in 1990, she teamed up in 1994 with Senator Carl Gutierrez as the Lieutenant Governor candidate on the Gutierrez-Bordallo ticket. She served two consecutive terms as Guam's first woman Lieutenant Governor from 1995 to 2002. In this role, she championed the cause of island beautification as a way to enhance Guam's tourism based economy.

Madeleine Bordallo, who is a resident of Tamuning, Guam, was born in Minnesota. She graduated from George Washington High School in Mangilao, Guam, in 1951, and attended St. Mary's College in South Bend, Indiana, and St. Catherine's College in St. Paul, Minnesota, graduating in 1953 with a degree in music. That year, she married Ricardo J. "Ricky" Bordallo and they have a daughter, Deborah, and a granddaughter, Nicole.

